IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

WILLIAM STRALEY : CIVIL ACTION

v. : NO. 02-CV-4966 (ER)

:

WEEKS MARINE, INC.

DEFENDANT'S RESPONSE TO PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR ENTRY OF DEFAULT

Defendant, Weeks Marine, Inc., by and through its attorneys, Donna

Adelsberger & Associates, P.C., hereby opposes Plaintiff's Motion for Entry of

Default, and answers Plaintiff's Motion as follows:

- 1. Denied as stated. It is admitted only that Plaintiff was allegedly injured while serving as a seaman on Defendant's vessels.
- 2. Denied as stated. It is denied that the Complaint was properly served upon Defendant. It is admitted only that Defendant did receive a copy of the Complaint in August, 2002.
- 3. It is admitted only that the docket entries for this case indicate that a return of service was filed on August 15, 2002.
- 4. Denied. Defendant filed an Entry of Appearance and Motion to Dismiss Plaintiff's Complaint on October 10, 2002, and a copy of both filings was served upon Plaintiff's counsel seven days prior to the filing of Plaintiff's Motion for Entry of Default.
 - 5. Denied as a conclusion of law.
 - 6. Denied as a conclusion of law.

7. Denied. It is averred to the contrary that counsel has violated Rule 11 insofar as he knowingly filed for Default on the same day that he filed his Memorandum of Law in Opposition to Plaintiff's Motion to Dismiss in this action. Plaintiff's counsel obviously had actual knowledge of the responsive pleading filed by Weeks Marine when he filed the Motion for Default. (See Docket entries attached hereto as Exhibit "A".)

WHEREFORE, Defendant, Weeks Marine, Inc., respectfully requests that Plaintiff's Motion for Entry of Default must be denied.

Respectfully submitted,

DONNA ADELSBERGER & ASSOCIATES, P.C.

BY: ______

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DATED: October 25, 2002

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WEEKS MARINE, INC.	:			
	ORDER			
AND NOW, this	day of	, 2002, in		
consideration of Plaintiff's Mo	otion for Entry of	Default and Defendant's Opposition		
thereto, it is hereby ORDERE	O and DECREED t	hat said Motion is denied.		
		J.		

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Mary Elisa Reeves, Esquire, hereby certify that on the date set forth below,

I gave a copy of Defendant's Response to Plaintiff's Motion for Entry of Default, via

First Class Mail, postage prepaide, to the following counsel:

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Mary	Elisa	Reeves,	Esquire	

DATE October 25, 2002